

State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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Jim Runquist TME Asphalt Ridge LLC 4526 Ridgeview Dr. Eagan, MN 55123

Subject: Conditional Approval of Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations (NOI) and Reclamation Surety, TME Asphalt Ridge LLC, TME Asphalt Ridge Mine,

M/047/0089, Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Runquist:

The Division has received the reclamation surety for the TME Asphalt Ridge Mine and two copies of the NOI. The Division now permits you, with conditions to begin mining operations as outlined in you large mining notice. The permitted disturbed area is 124 acres. A copy of the executed surety documents will be forwarded to the SITLA office for their records. The surety will be reviewed periodically to assure that the bond remains adequate.

Condition 1:

Ninety days (90) prior to the operation of the new Processing facility, the Utah Division of Air Quality (DAQ) has to issue an air quality permit if it is deemed to be required by DAQ.

Condition 2:

Do NOT cause any new surface disturbance until State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) has issued their concurrence on all applicable surface areas.

Please be advised that you must also acquire approval from the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (SITLA), before beginning mining operations on federally managed land and/or minerals, or state managed leases. An approved NOI must also be filed with SITLA in addition to the lease.

No variances were requested.



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Enclosed are copies of the signed and executed Reclamation Contract and surety bond forms for your files. Also enclosed is a copy of the "approved" Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations for your files. Please keep your plan current by submitting changes using Form MR-REV-att, which is located on the web at www.dogm.utah.gov.

All future correspondence should reference M0470089. Thank you for your help and patience in finalizing this permitting action. Please call me if you have any questions in this regard.

Sincerely.

Dana Dean P.E.
Associate Director

DD:lah:pb Enclosure Task ID # 2496

cc: Jim Runquist w/Encl

SITLA – Will Stokes w/Encl